Event Applications/Calendar online at:
http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx

Litton Project Grant
How would you like a cash award to expand or start your 4-H project? Here’s your chance! Applications are available at:
http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/4-HScholarships.aspx
Applications are due March 1st, so don’t wait!

4-H MO Foundation Scholarship
Available in the office or on line:
http://4h.missouri.edu/recognition/scholarships/
Due in the County Office March 26.

4-H Lock-In
Where: Chillicothe YMCA
When: Friday, March 20 to Saturday, March 21
10:30 pm—6 am
Registration: $10 by 3/18, $15 after 3/18 or at the door
Who: Area 4-H members grade 6 and up
What to bring: athletic clothes, appropriate swimsuit, games, movies.
Come for a night of games, sports, movies, leadership and fun! This event will feature many activities sponsored by the Livingston County 4-H Council.

Application online at: http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx
NOTE: Youth will need to print 4honline health form & authorization form

For more information call 660/646-0811 (660/973-3444 on the day of event) or email murphyse@missouri.edu

Shooting Sports 740 Safety Class
Shooting Sports Safety—all shooters must complete this one time safety training. Livingston County’s training is:

March 14 from 9 am—3 pm (meal provided)
437 Locust St., RSVP by February 27
Register by calling 646-0811 or email murphyse@missouri.edu

If you cannot attend, you must make alternate arrangements or youth will not be allowed to shoot.
Alternate Training: Linn County, 1 pm—7 pm
State Teen Conference
March 28-29, DUE February 2
A fun-filled, two-day event for ages 11-13, planned by your State 4-H Council teens, to promote Belonging, Independence, Generosity and Mastery by:

- Creating opportunities to make 300 new friends from across Missouri,
- Building leadership skills through quality learning experiences,
- Connecting youth with older peer leaders on the State 4-H Council,
- Taking a look at the exciting opportunities that await as a 4-H teenager!

REGISTRATION will be available through 4HOnline.

http://4h.missouri.edu/go/events/teenconf/

4-H Move Across Missouri
Sign up today!

4-H Move Across Missouri (MOVE) promotes physical activity by encouraging youths and families to engage in physical activities they enjoy such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more. YOUTH WILL GET A FREE PRIZE!

Using a PAPER TRACKING SYSTEM this year, youth and their families can “log” the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year. Sign up as an individual or as part of a team. Sign up on the 4-H website at http://www.4h.missouri.edu/programs/move/

Happy February Birthdays!

Mady Howe 2  Devyn Kennedy 11  Hallie Russell 20
Julia Minnis 3  Sarah George 13  Hunter Rader 22
Liberty Hoerr 3  Hannah Dominique 14  Ava Dennis 23
Alexis Bonderer 5  Emma Thompson 15  Carlee Johnson 25
Leanna Smith 6  Emerson Brobst 17  Caroline Warren 25
Nick Dungy 6  CJ Pfaff 18  Amanda Waits 26
Avery Baxter 7  Carson Anderson 19  Remi Berger 26
Tristin Harrison 7  Charley Peniston 19  Seth Graves 26
Lucas Campbell 8  Emily Esry 19  Jacob Roney 27
Brady Bothwell 9  Sarah Boon 19  Shawn Hapes 27
Maya Snyder 10  

Kinley Muck 28
FACEBOOK USERS - Join “Livingston 4-H (Missouri)” for up to the minute updates on 4-H events and happenings. Check out State Fair happenings and pictures from summer events!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/124595659892/

4-H Camp apps.—DUE May 6

Camp #1 dates are during the week of June 1-4. Camp #2 dates are during the week of June 8-11. Cost will be $110. Applications are online.

http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx

4-H Camp Counselor Applications are in!

http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston/events.aspx

4-H ages 14 and up. DUE February 6th in the office.

4-H Conference on Global Career

March 11 Workshops
CSI (2 hours)
Nuclear Pharmacy
Metallurgic Engineering & Art
Customs & Border Protection
Social Media & Workplace Communication
Geoscience/geological engineering
Merck Pharmaceuticals
SCD Probiotics Microorganism Development

March 11 Tours
KC Repertory Theatre
Cargill Animal Nutrition
Careers in Hospitality Industry
Federal Courthouse
Card & Envelope Design & Printing
AdFarm Agri-Marketing

March 12 Workshops
Structural Engineering in Sports Venues
Learning Languages
International Careers
Archeology
Library Professions ‘Beyond the Books’
Judicial & Public Service
National & Global Public Radio

March 12 Tours
Art Business & Global Photography
Lee Jeans
Public Television – KCPT
GM Auto Assembly Plant
Children’s Center for Visually Impaired
Ingredion – Grain Processing
Harvest Productions (Audiovisual solutions

Due Date: Registrations are due by February 15, 2015 to University of Missouri Extension. Address is 11727 NW Plaza Circle, KCMO 64153. Spaces in workshops and on tours are on a first come basis

Cost: $25 per day if tour; $15 per day for 4 hours of workshops. This includes program costs, portfolio and insurance, & snacks. Delegates can bring lunches.

What: Delegates’ choice of workshops and/or business tours in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math for 2 days with optional evening program. Workshop and tour descriptions & registration forms at extension.missouri.edu/platte; these will help with your decision on 1-5 rankings for each half day.

Schedule: Delegates will rank their choice of workshops (2 hours each morning and 2 hours each afternoon, or 1 tour per day. Wednesday: orientation at 8 is; both days workshops are at 9, & 10:30; tours leave 7:30-8:30 am; afternoon sessions are 1-2 and 3-4 pm each day. Afternoon tours leave at 11:40.

Lodging/Commuting: Delegates can choose to attend for 1 or both days on a commuting basis. For those attending both days, lodging is on your own, but we have reserved a block of rooms at Ramada Inn, which is across the parking lot from conference site.

Room cost of $78 per night, includes taxes and breakfast. Ask for 4-H rate with Tarra or Jeanette.

MO 4-H Equine Tour Heads North!

The 2015 tour, May 23-29, will be exploring the horse industry in Missouri, Illinois, Wisconsin, Canada and Michigan and is open to Missouri 4-H teens, ages 14-18. The $600 tour fee includes most meals, hotels, transportation on a chartered bus, admission fees, tour shirts/bags/group photo. Applications are available at http://mo4h.missouri.edu/events/horse/ and are due before March 1, 2015 For additional information, contact Debbie Davis, 816-539-3765

davisdd@missouri.edu.
4-H Volunteer Registration

Missouri 4-H volunteers are required to take a one-time volunteer orientation. Once requirements are met, volunteers receive an approval notice, and may begin working with youth.

1) Register online at [http://mo.4honline.com](http://mo.4honline.com)
2) Fill out paper Volunteer Application annually
3) Complete 1-time volunteer orientation

**Multiple Options for Volunteer Orientation**

- Volunteer Application
  - [http://4h.missouri.edu/resources/materials/docs/LG636FILL.pdf](http://4h.missouri.edu/resources/materials/docs/LG636FILL.pdf)
  - Or, you may contact the Extension Center for a form.

**In-Person**—register by calling office 2 days prior to each training.

- 2/5 Chillicothe, Litton Center; 7 pm—9 pm
- 2/9 Princeton, Hal England; 5:30—7:30
- 2/18 Trenton, Grundy Co. Courthouse; 5:30—7:30

**Online**

Begin Here:
- [http://4h.missouri.edu/getinvolved/volunteer/](http://4h.missouri.edu/getinvolved/volunteer/)

**Print/Audio Version**

Contact the office. We can assist by providing or mailing.

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**4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop**

Registration will be via 4-H Online. If currently in the 4-H Online system, a leader should access their family profile to register. If new to 4-H, you are asked to go to the internet and use either Chrome or FireFox browser (not Explorer) at [https://mo.4honline.com](https://mo.4honline.com) and follow the instructions on creating a family and adult profile. Event registration help guide is found at [http://4h.missouri.edu/enroll/](http://4h.missouri.edu/enroll/).

**WHEN:** March 20-22, 2015

**Check In:** 6:00-7:00 pm Friday, for 1st timers
   (if not completed Volunteer Orientation)

Repeat participants may check in:
7:00-10:00 pm Friday OR 7:30-8:00 am Saturday

**1st Session:** Friday, March 20, 7:00 p.m.
Workshop concludes 3:15 pm – Sunday

**WHERE:** Camp MoVal - Union, MO

**COST:** $75- includes 5 meals, overnight lodging (1 or 2 nights), and workshop materials

**PRE-REGISTRATION:** Required by March 1.
Registration is limited and will close when session is full or when the camp is full. All registrations accepted on a first-come, first-served basis…when accompanied by fee. Workshops usually fill up before the deadline…so don’t delay! Pre-register A.S.A.P.

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**2015 Missouri Youth Grading and Judging Contest and Clinic**

Trowbridge Livestock Center
University of Missouri
March 7, 2015

**Sponsored by the University of Missouri Division of Animal Sciences**

We are excited to invite you to this year’s version of the Missouri Livestock Judging and Grading Clinic. 2015 brings updates and rejuvenation to this long time tradition in Missouri judging circles.

If you are interested in attending—get your name and $10 fee to the Extension Office by **February 23**. We have to do the registering in the Office through the computer Judging Card system.

**Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show**

The Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show is a 4-H only Stock Show that is held each year in Omaha, Nebraska the last week of September. Stock Show has a growing scholarship program that distributed nearly $125,000 in scholarship benefits last year to 4-H members in our ten state area to help further their education. In addition to seven livestock shows the schedule also includes several non-livestock competitions including a Quiz Bowl competition, Livestock Judging contests with divisions for 4-H, Junior College and Senior College teams and a Fitting Challenge competition.

If you would like more information or you have 4-H members that need DNA supplies to nominate market animals for the 2015 Stock Show, please contact the office. There are a couple of important deadlines that must be followed.

MISSOURI SHOW ME QUALITY (SMQA)

By June 1st, all 4-H members enrolled in food animal projects (including beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, meat and dairy goats, rabbits, and poultry) must complete the appropriate level of SMQA certification to be considered in good standing. Youth must attend 2 consecutive years between the ages 8-13 and once after age 14. So How Do I Complete SMQA?

Upcoming Trainings:
3/2 Princeton, Hal England; 6 pm—7:30 pm
3/5 Chillicothe Litton Center; 7 pm—8:30 pm
- we will hold another training in April or May in Livingston County due to the large number needing this.

If unable to attend, youth may also complete online certification at: http://agebb.missouri.edu/smqa/

Interest-Free Funding Available for 4-H and FFA projects

FCS Financial is launching a new agricultural youth funding program to assist Missouri 4-H and FFA members with their agricultural projects. The agreement provides interest-free funding for qualifying projects, is available to all 4-H and FFA members in the association’s lending service area and is repayable within one year.

“Missouri is home to more than 105,000 4-H members and supports 324 FFA chapters consisting of 25,000 students,” says Scott Gardner, FCS Financial Marketing and Sales Vice President. “There is no better way to prepare these future farmers and ranchers for their career in agriculture than providing financial assistance and education at this point in their lives.”

FCS Financial will require a detailed projected cash flow as part of the application process. If approved for funding, the applicant must keep accurate records available for FCS Financial to review throughout the term of the agreement.

Available funding is based on FCS Financial’s capital and, in 2014, $300,000 has been reserved for the program. Funds are available for one project per year, per student. For more details or to apply, visit www.myfcsfinancial or contact your local FCS Financial office.
**4-H/FFA OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS**

One of the objectives in owning an animal is to learn new skills in animal breeding, feeding, management and health. To accomplish this, the member should secure the animal as early in the year as possible. Livestock shows and exhibitions set up minimum dates for length of ownership necessary for exhibiting.

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Check out the county web page:

http://extension.missouri.edu/livingston

For the newsletter, entry forms, and other 4-H information.